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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Manufacturing and Services Division, ORR

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ATTENTION : MS/D

THROUGH : Chief, Requirements Branch, Reconnaissance Group, CGS

FROM : Chief, CIA/PID (NPIC)

SUBJECT : Hsiang-T'an Arsenal Study

REFERENCES: (1) ORR Requirement No. C-RR-80,522/63

(2) CIA/PID Project No. C 1425/63

1. This memorandum is in answer to the above referenced requirement which requests a layout, description and annotated enlargements of arsenals and armament plants in the vicinity of Hsiang-t'an, Communist China.

2. Two arsenal/armament plants were located 4n Hsiang-t'an Area. Enclosed with this memorandum are the following graphics which locate and illustrate these arsenal/armament plants:

a.	Map of Hsiang-t'an and surrounding area	CIA/PID/IB-P-711/63
ъ.	Probable Factory No. 282	CIA/PID/IB-P-686/63
c.	Probable Factory No. 282	CIA/PID/IB-P-687/63
đ.	Possible Factory No. 627	CIA/PID/IB-P-688/63
e.	Possible Factory No. 627	CIA/PID/IB-P-689/63
f.	Possible Factory No. 627	CIA/PID/IB-P-689/63 CIA/PID/IB-P-690/63

These graphics have been annotated to help identify the more significant parts of the plants and to indicate changes that have been made between the photographic missions.

3. Plant No. 282 has had numerous reports prepared on it by this center. 25X1D

The most extensive report (NPIC/R-1029/62) used photography from

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This photography has been included with the enclosed graphics. The requester should refer to the above report for a more detailed description of this plant. This plant was also photographed on

and this later mission shows some interesting developments. Five new bunkered storage buildings have been added to the explosives storage area, some minor improvements have been made to the road system, and some minor new construction is taking place. This has occurred while two large buildings that were under construction have not progressed

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It would seem that the plant size has been fixed and that any improvements or additions are of an internal nature only.

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	4. The plant titled "Possible Plant No. 627" has not been reported to	11
	date. This plant is possibly an arsenal/armament plant since it has some of the signatures of this type installation. It has a security fence, possible	•
	foundry, steam plant, large buildings which could serve as machine shops.	E
	assembly halls and storage buildings and what appears to be a weapons test	
1	range and associated earth-revetted buildings. This facility is not complete and very little work has been done on it since	25X1D
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25X1B	were constructed during the	25X1B
	since construction of new facilities has ceased and three buildings	25X1B
25X1B	have been left incomplete.	23/10
	photography no smoke can be seen emitting from either the foundry stack or	
9	the steam plant stack, but a small wisp of steam is coming from the foundry,	
	in the area adjacent to the stack. The dark material southeast of the steam plant is coal. This coal pile has changed its configuration	25X1B
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· · · - · ·	period of time. The large building between the foundry and the steam plant	
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5. The analyst on this project was who may be contacted on extension 2546, should you have any further questions concerning this project. This is considered a complete answer to the requirement.

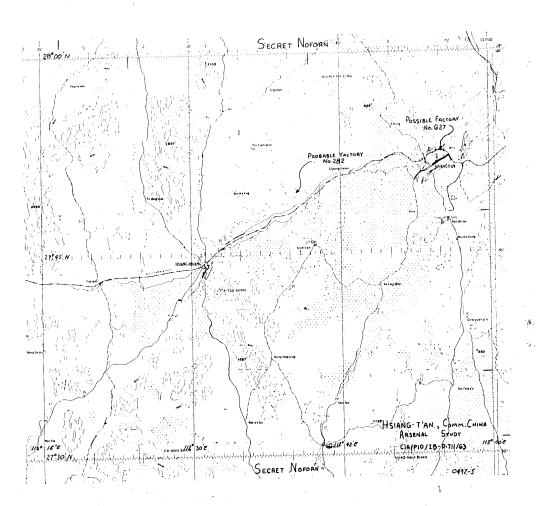
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ENCLOSURES:

6 Annotated Photo Enlargements (CIA/PID/IB-P-711/63 and P-686/63 thru P-690/63)

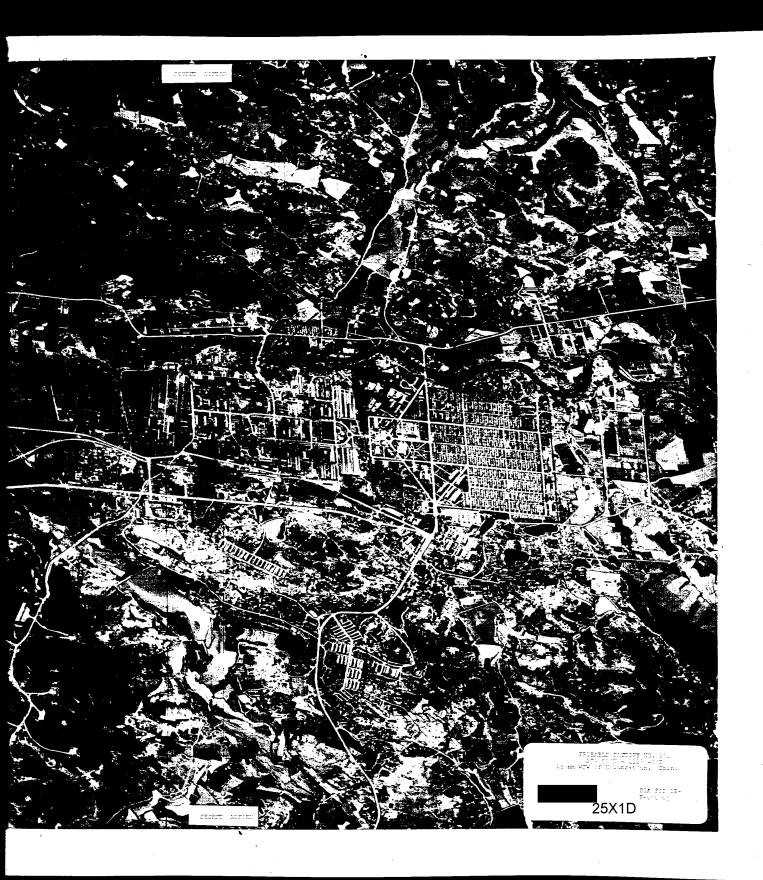
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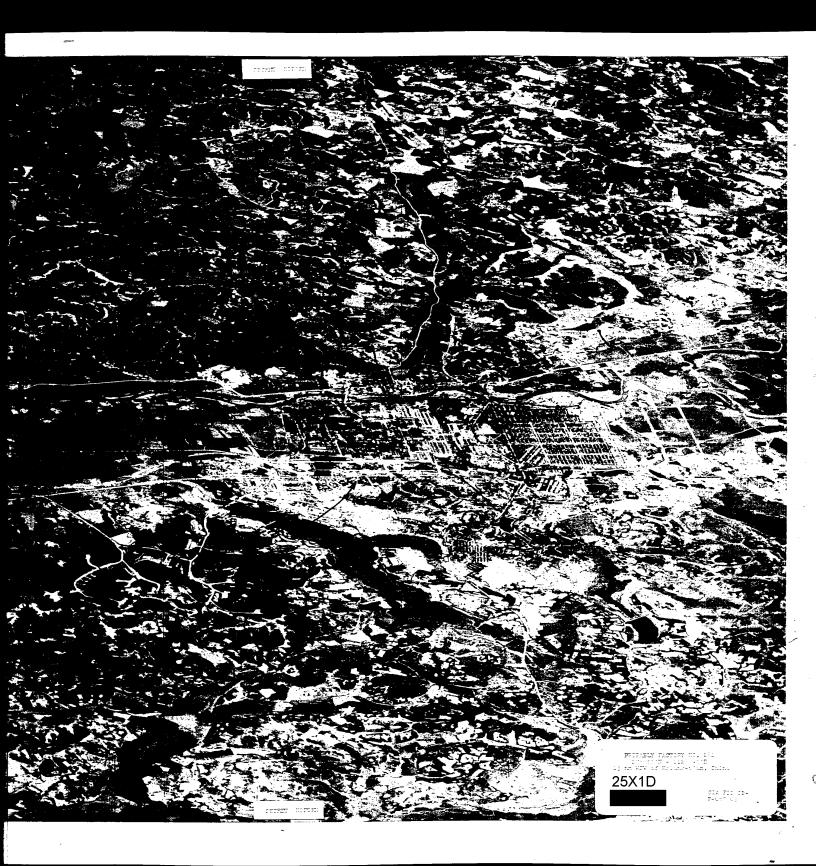
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